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SUBJ: SOVIET RESTRICTIONS ON TOURIST TRAVEL TO LITHUANIA

1. REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN LITHUANIAN COMMUNITY INFORM DEPARTMENT THAT AS OF APRIL 1973 ALL US TOURIST GROUPS WERE LIMITED BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES TO MAXIMUM OF FIVE DAYS IN LITHUANIA. MAXIMUM STAY PREVIOUSLY HAD BEEN TEN DAYS. TRAVEL BUREAUS IN CHICAGO AREA WERE INFORMED OF CHANGE BY TELEPHONE FROM INTOURIST IN MOSCOW LAST YEAR.

2. NEW LIMITATION CREATES HARDSHIP FOR US CITIZENS WHO MAKE EXPENSIVE TRIP SOLELY TO SEE RELATIVES IN LITHUANIA. IN ADDITION, BECAUSE GROUP-FARE RATES REQUIRE AT LEAST FOURTEEN DAYS ABROAD, LIMITATION COMPLICATES ITINERARY FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT AFFORD REGULAR AIR FARE.

3. CONGEN REQUESTED TO RAISE MATTER WITH APPROPRIATE LENINGRAD AUTHORITIES, POINTING OUT THAT PLANS ARE NOW

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BEING MADE FOR 1974 TOURIST SEASON BY AMERICAN GROUPS

AND EXPRESSING HOPE ON BEHALF OF CONCERNED AMCITS THAT  
FIVE-DAY RESTRICTION WILL NOT APPLY TO 1974 SEASON. IF  
FIVE-DAY LIMITATION DOES REMAIN IN FORCE, CONGEN SHOULD  
SEEK EXPLANATION OF THIS POLICY AND, AT CONGEN'S DISCRE-  
TION, ASK THAT POLICY BE RECONSIDERED. KISSINGER

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